



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

City of Dripping Springs

Council Chambers, 511 Mercer St, Dripping Springs, TX

Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 6:00 PM

MINUTES

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CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

City Council Members present were:

Mayor Bill Foulds, Jr.

Mayor Pro Tem Taline Manassian

Council Member Place 2 Wade King

Council Member Place 4 April Harris Allison

Council Member Place 5 Travis Crow

Staff, Consultants & Appointed/Elected Officials present were:

City Administrator Michelle Fischer

Deputy City Administrator Ginger Faught

City Attorney Laura Mueller

City Secretary Andrea Cunningham

Communications Director Lisa Sullivan

Parks & Community Services Director Kelly Schmidt

Public Works Coordinator Aaron Reed

Finance Director Shawn Cox

IT Coordinator Misty Dean

DSRP Event Center Manager Tina Adams

DSRP Event Center Coordinator Emily Nelson

DSRP Guest Services Coordinator Lilly Sellers

With a quorum of the City Council present, Mayor Foulds, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Foulds, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

PRESENTATION OF CITIZENS

A member of the public who desires to address the City Council regarding any item on an agenda for an open meeting may do so at presentation of citizens before an item or at a public hearing for an item during the City Council's consideration of that item. Citizens wishing to discuss matters not contained within the current agenda may do so, but only during the time allotted for presentation of citizens. Speakers are allowed two (2) minutes to speak during presentation of citizens or during each public hearing. Speakers may not cede or pool time. Members of the public requiring the assistance of a translator will be given twice the amount of time as a member of the public who does not require the assistance of a translator to address the City Council. It is the request of the City Council that members of the public wishing to speak on item(s) on the agenda with a noticed Public Hearing hold their comments until the item(s) are presented for consideration. Speakers are encouraged to sign in. Anyone may request a copy of the City's policy on presentation of citizens from the city secretary. By law no action may be taken during Presentations of Citizens.

No one spoke during Presentation of Citizens.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items are anticipated to require little or no individualized discussion due to their nature being clerical, ministerial, mundane or routine. In an effort to enhance the efficiency of City Council meetings, it is intended that these items will be acted upon by the City Council with a single motion because no public hearing or determination is necessary. However, a City Council Member or citizen may request separate deliberation for a specific item, in which event those items will be removed from the consent agenda prior to the City Council voting on the consent agenda as a collective, singular item. Prior to voting on the consent agenda, the City Council may add additional items that are listed elsewhere on the same agenda.

- 1. Approval of a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas, approving and accepting a Construction Bond for Big Sky subdivision Phase 2, sitework, utilities, paving and drainage.**

Filed as Resolution No. 2021-R08

- 2. Approval of a Resolution of the City of Dripping Springs, Texas, approving and accepting a Construction Bond for Driftwood Ranch Subdivision Phase 2, sitework, utilities, paving and drainage.**

Filed as Resolution No. 2021-R09

- 3. Approval of job description and job posting with authorization to hire the Coyote Kids Camp Director. Sponsor Mayor Foulds, Jr.**

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 – 3. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

BUSINESS AGENDA

- 4. Discuss and consider the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, and dismissal of the Farmers Market Manager, Laurel Robertson.** *Sponsor Mayor Foulds, Jr.*

Mayor Foulds called for a presentation from Laurel Robertson. Hearing no presentation, Mayor Foulds, Jr. continued with the Agenda at the City Council's pleasure.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to adjourn into Executive Session under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney and 551.072, Deliberation of Real Property and regarding Executive Session Agenda Items 5 – 7. Council Member Harris-Allison seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 5. Deliberate the employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Farmers Market Manager Laurel Robertson and Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Personnel Matters.** *Consultation with Legal Counsel, 551.071*
- 6. Consultation with City Attorney related to legislative program and matters regarding water, wastewater, and other utility issues.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*
- 7. Consultation with City Attorney and Deliberation of Real Property regarding legal issues related to Real Property for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone including the Town Center Project and uses, real property in the Triangle and Veterans Memorial Park, and real property related to Roger Hanks Parkway.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation of Real Property, 551.072*

The City Council met in Executive Session from 6:04 – 6:14. No vote or action was taken during Executive Session.

Mayor Foulds, Jr. returned the meeting to Open Session at 6:15 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

Mayor Foulds, Jr. called for a presentation from Laurel Robertson. Hearing none, Mayor Foulds, Jr. continued with agenda at the City Council's pleasure.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Manassian to adjourn into Executive Session under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, Consultation with City Attorney and 551.074, Deliberation of Personnel Matters and regarding Business Agenda Item 4 and Executive Session Agenda Item 5. Council Member King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

5. **Discuss and consider the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, and dismissal of the Farmers Market Manager, Laurel Robertson.** *Sponsor Mayor Foulds, Jr.*
6. **Deliberate the employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Farmers Market Manager Laurel Robertson and Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Personnel Matters.** *Consultation with Legal Counsel, 551.071; Deliberate Personnel Matters, 551.074*

The City Council met in Executive Session from 6:18 – 6:40 p.m. No action or vote was taken during Executive Session.

Mayor Foulds returned the meeting to Open Session at 6:40

OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to terminate the employment for Laurel Robertson due to insubordination, discourteous behavior, and ineffective communication. Council Member King seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0 via roll call vote:

Mayor Pro Tem Manassian	Aye
Council Member King	Aye
Council Member Harris-Allison	Aye
Council Member Crow	Aye

EXECUTIVE SESSION AGENDA

The City Council for the City of Dripping Springs has the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any matter as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices), and 551.086 (Economic Development). The City Council for the City of Dripping Springs may act on any item listed in Executive Session in Open Session or move any item from Executive Session to Open Session for action.

5. **Deliberate the employment, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Farmers Market Manager Laurel Robertson and Consultation with Legal Counsel Regarding Personnel Matters.** *Consultation with Legal Counsel, 551.071; Deliberation Regarding Personnel Matters. 551.074*
6. **Consultation with City Attorney related to legislative program and matters regarding water, wastewater, and other utility issues.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071*
7. **Consultation with City Attorney and Deliberation of Real Property regarding legal issues related to Real Property for the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone including the Town Center Project and uses, real property in the Triangle and Veterans Memorial Park, and real property related to Roger Hanks Parkway.** *Consultation with City Attorney, 551.071; Deliberation of Real Property, 551.072*

The City Council met in Executive Session earlier in the meeting.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

City Council Meetings

April 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

April 20, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

May 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

May 18, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Board, Commission & Committee Meetings

March 18, 2021 Emergency Management Commission at 12:00 p.m.

March 22, 2021 Transportation Committee at 3:30 p.m.

March 23, 2021 Planning & Zoning Commission at 6:30 p.m.

March 24, 2021 Economic Development Committee at 4:00 p.m.

March 25, 2021 Farmers Market Association Board at 10:00 a.m.

April 1, 2021 Historic Preservation Commission at 4:00 p.m.

April 5, 2021 Parks & Recreation Commission at 6:00 p.m.

April 7, 2021 DSRP Board at 12:00 p.m.

April 12, 2021 TIRZ No. 1 & No. 2 Board at 4:00 p.m.

April 14, 2021 Utility Commission at 4:00 p.m.

April 15, 2021 Farmers Market Association at 10:00 a.m.

April 15, 2021 Emergency Management Commission at 12:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Council Member Harris-Allison to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Manassian seconded the motion which carried unanimously 4 to 0.

This regular meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

APPROVED ON: April 13, 2021

Bill Foulds, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Andrea Cunningham, City Secretary